

Agilent No. 10980096-1
R&A Dkt No. 5000-0051

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231" on

Dec. 10, 2001

Signature *Marilyn B. McKenna*

DO NOT ENTER

OK TO ENTER

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Patrick KALTENBACH et al.

Serial No.: 09/156,804 (Continued Prosecution Appln.)

Group Art Unit: 1743

Filing Date: September 17, 1998

Examiner: P. Kathryn BEX

Title: MODULAR APPARATUS FOR
CHEMICAL MICROANALYSIS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1743

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RECEIVED
JAN 09 2002
TC 1700

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action concerning the patent application identified above, mailed from the PTO on October 10, 2001. As this response is being filed within two months of the final Action, the provisions of M.P.E.P. Section 706.07(f), parts (C) and (F), apply.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.